# A SUMMARY OF THE MPS PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

2020-2021



### What is Title I?

Title I is the nation's largest assistance program for schools that provides supplemental resources to economically disadvantaged schools to support the achievement of its students. It is a federal program to help all students get a good education and meet academic standards.

Title I funds are used to upgrade the entire school's educational program so that the overall education of ALL children who attend the school can be improved. All children enrolled in the Title I school, including those with disabilities and children with limited English proficiency, are eligible to receive Title I services.

#### **HOW WILL MPS BUILD CAPACITY FOR PARENTS?**

- ◆ Title I schools will host an Annual Title I meeting for parents by the end of October.
- ◆ Parents will be invited to serve on school committees such as the Parent Advisory Council and the Annual Continuous Improvement Plan (ACIP).
- Regular parent meetings will be held at all Title I schools at various times.
- ◆ Information about your child's teacher qualifications will be provided upon request.
- ♦ Title I schools will distribute information in a language parents can understand using a variety of methods including newsletters, flyers, the school website, and the automated phone system.
- ◆ Title I schools will offer workshops for parents that will cover a number of issues including assessments, academic assistance, behavior modification strategies, health awareness, and many others.

#### Goals of Title I

- Increase academic achievement
- Provide direct instructional support to students
- Provide professional development to teachers
- Promote parent education and involvement in school activities

## How Will Title I Help My Child?

If your child qualifies for help, the Title I program will provide extra educational assistance beyond the regular classroom. In most cases, these additional services may include all or some of the following services:

- ·Smaller classes or special instructional areas
- ·Additional teachers or instructional assistants
- ·Opportunities for professional development for school staff
- ·Extra time for teaching Title I students the skills they need
- ·Extended day academic and enrichment services
- ·An individualized program for students
- ·Additional teaching materials for the regular instructional program



A copy of the Parent Engagement Policy can be found on the school's website. A hard copy of the policy will be made available upon request.